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NOTICE

Beware of Fraudulent Job Offers Impersonating FSSAI

The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has recently identified a surge in fraudulent recruitment advertisements and job offers that misuse its name and logo. These scams aim to deceive job seekers by falsely claiming the availability of over 15,000 vacancies. Here's what you need to know to protect yourself:

Key Highlights of the Fraud

- 1. Fake Job Vacancies: Scammers are circulating misleading advertisements that allege FSSAI is hiring for more than 15,000 positions, with application links purportedly opening from January 23, 2025, to February 23, 2025. These ads often appear legitimate due to the unauthorized use of FSSAI branding.
- 2. Deceptive Communication Channels: Fraudulent individuals are reaching out to potential candidates through various means, including illegal mobile numbers, fake email addresses, SMS, social media platforms, and links shared via WhatsApp or other websites. These scammers frequently request payments under the guise of a refundable security deposit or other fees.
- 3. Official Recruitment Sources: FSSAI emphasizes that all legitimate employment opportunities are announced exclusively on its official website (fssai.gov.in), in Employment News/Rojgar Samachar, and through reputable newspapers. They do not solicit any payments beyond the application fee outlined in official recruitment notices.
- 4. Caution Advised: Prospective job seekers are strongly urged to exercise caution and remain vigilant against these fraudulent advertisements. Regularly visiting the FSSAI website will ensure you have access to the most accurate and up-to-date information regarding recruitment processes.
- Liability Disclaimer: FSSAI will not be held responsible for any losses or damages incurred as a result of interactions with these fraudulent individuals or agencies misrepresenting the authority.

Tips for Job Seekers

- Verify Authenticity: Always confirm job postings by checking the official FSSAI website or trusted job portals.
- Avoid Unnecessary Payments: Legitimate employers will never ask for money upfront for applications or training.
- Protect Personal Information: Be cautious about sharing sensitive personal details until job seekers can verify the legitimacy of the employer.
- Report Scams: If job seekers encounter suspicious job offers or communications, report them to relevant authorities or consumer protection organizations.

By staying informed and cautious, job seekers can safeguard themselves against these deceptive practices while pursuing genuine employment opportunities. Remember, the vigilance is the best defense! This version maintains clarity while enhancing engagement and readability for the audience.

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